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WILL THIS BECOME
THE DAY OF
THE GIANT
KILLERS?!

GODZILLA

KING OF THE MONSTERS™

"A MONSTER
ENSLAVED!"



Eons past, a monstrous hybrid of land and marine reptiles was sealed into a state of suspended animation, lumbering through the fall of dinosaurs and the rise of man. But, awakened by an undersea nuclear test, the creature returned to life — now breathing the fires of radiation...

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A MONSTER ENSLAVED!

PROponents of the
SASQUATCH LEGENDS
CLAIM THAT
MONSTERS ROAM
THE MOUNTAINS OF
NORTHERN CALIF-
ORNIA. THEY AIN'T
SEEN NOTHIN' YET.

BUT SHIELD
AGENT
GABRIEL JONES
DEFINITELY
HAS SEEN
SOMETHING...
AND IT'S NOT
THE FIRST
TIME...

RECON-ONE
TO LEADER--I'VE
SPOTTED HIM, PUM PUM.
IN FACT I'M RIGHT
ON HIS TAIL.

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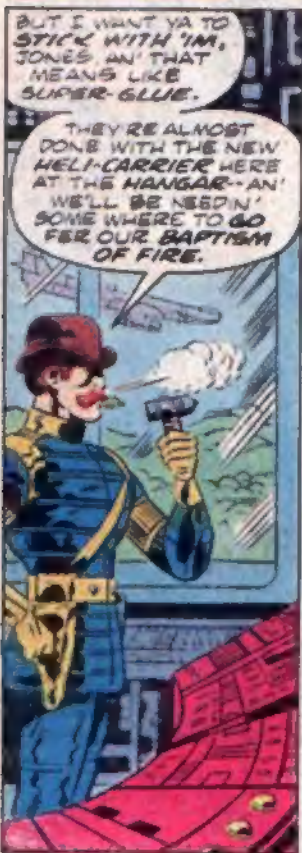
HE'S STUDYING ME,
BUT THERE'S NO MENACE--
NO IMMEDIATE DANGER.

DO YOU READ
ME, LEADER? LIFE
AND SHIELD PROPERTY
SECURE. CREATURE
POSING NO OVERT
THREAT OR--

I READ YA, JONES.
NO NEED TO LAY IT ON SO
THICK. YOU'VE AWWREADY
MADE IT PLENTY CLEAR
HOW YOU FEEL ABOUT
THAT STINKIN'
MONSTER!

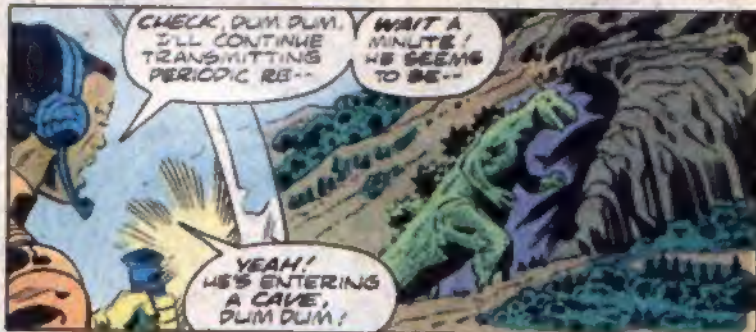


PERMISSION GRANTED
TO HOLD VER FIRE. A
SINGLE CHOPPER COULDN'T
EVEN TICKLE GODZILLA
ANYWAY.



BUT I WANT YA TO
STICK WITH 'IM,
JONES. AN' THAT
MEANS LIKE
SUPER-GLUE.

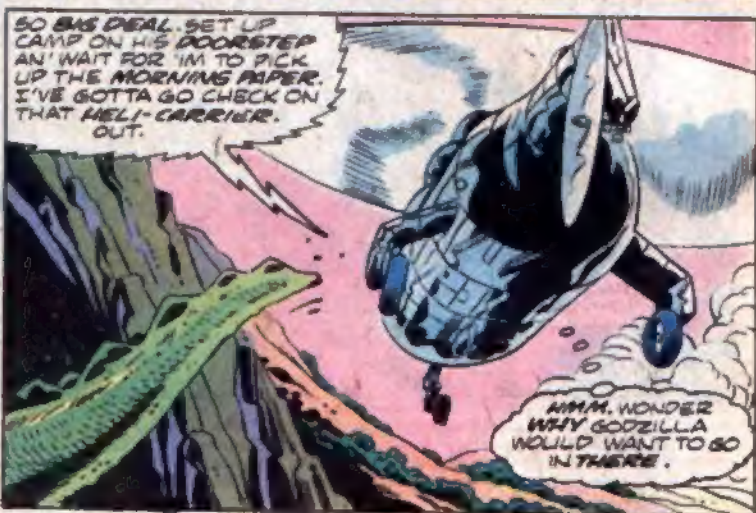
THEY'RE ALMOST
DONE WITH THE NEW
HELI-CARRIER HERE
AT THE HANGAR--AN'
WE'LL BE NEEDIN'
SOME WHERE TO GO
FER OUR BAPTISM
OF FIRE.



CHECK, DUM DUM.
I'LL CONTINUE
TRANSMITTING
PERIODIC RE--

WAIT A
MINUTE!
HE SEEMS
TO BE--

YEAH!
HE'S ENTERING
A CAVE,
DUM DUM!

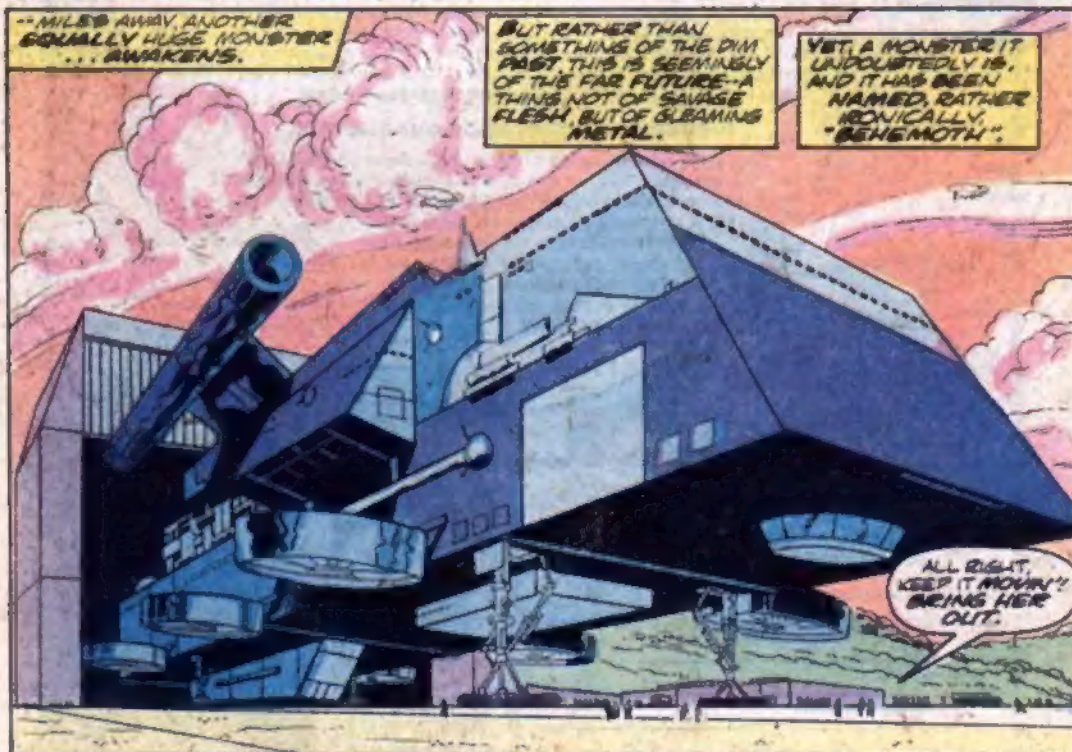


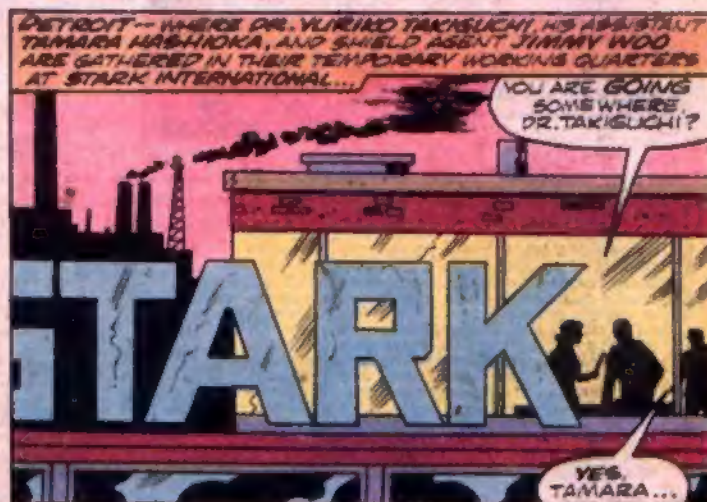
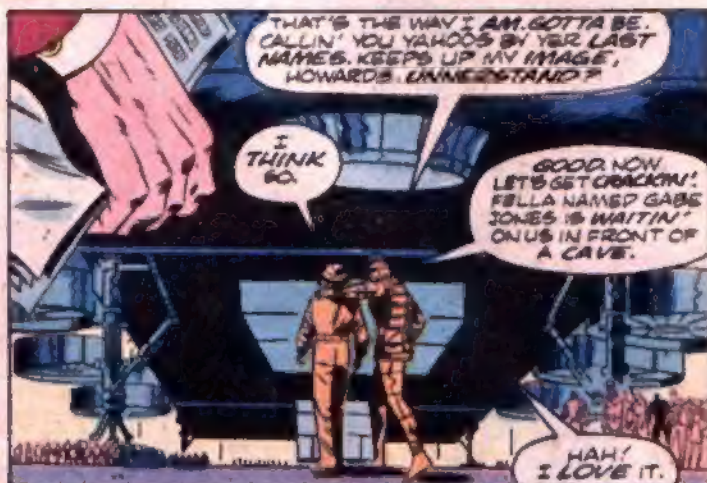
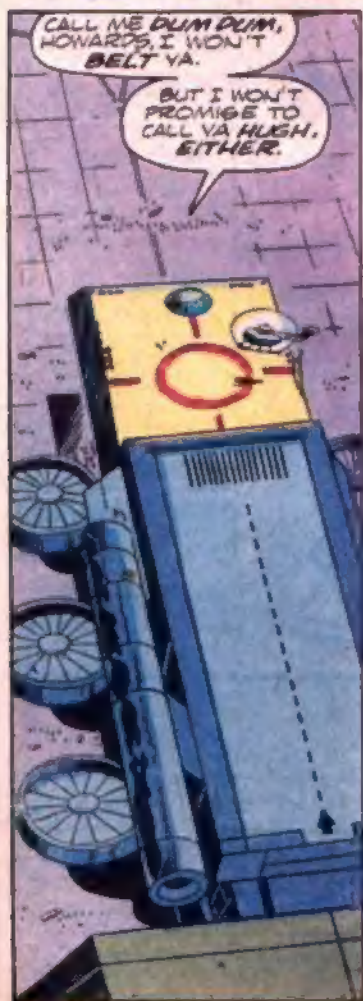
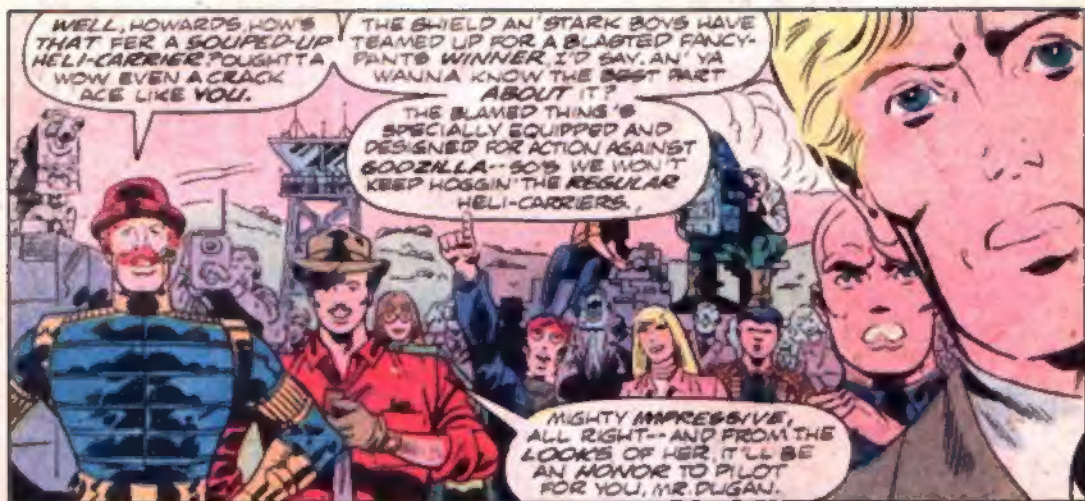
SO BAS DEAL. SET UP
CAMP ON HIS DOORSTEP
AN' WAIT FOR 'IM TO PICK
UP THE MORNING PAPER.
I'VE GOTTA GO CHECK ON
THAT HELI-CARRIER.
OUT.

MMM. WONDER
WHY GODZILLA
WOULD WANT TO GO
IN THERE.



--MILES AWAY, ANOTHER EQUALLY HUGE MONSTER... AWAKENS.





MR. STARK'S TECHNICIANS
HAVE INFORMED ME THAT
THEY ARE NEARING
COMPLETION OF OUR
PROJECT...

...AND HAVE INVITED
ME TO INSPECT THEIR
WORK. I WILL NOT
BE LONG.



WHAT IS IT, TAMARA? WHY
ARE YOU ALWAYS SO
NERVOUS IN MY
COMPANY?

I THINK IT'S
QUITE PLEASANT
BEING ALONE FOR
A CHANGE, JUST
YOU...ME...



MAIN CONTROL
AREA WITH
ACCOMMODATION
FOR PRIME
OPERATOR!

SOLAR BLADE-
STORES SUN'S ENERGY.
TREMENDOUS HEAT
LEVEL ALLOWS IT
TO CUT THROUGH
ANYTHING.

MAGNETIC DEFENSE
FIELD GENERATORS-
SUPPLIES POWER
FOR SHIELDS
LOCATED AT
VITAL AREAS
AROUND THE
BODY.

MAIN POWER
UNITS.

WEAPONS
MAGAZINE
IN UPPER
ARM.

GATLING
LASER
DEVICE
BUILT
INTO
SHIELD.

POWER
BLASTER
ARM
UNIT.

ATOMIC
PROPULSION
UNIT
IN LEGS.

...AND HIM
OF COURSE!
"MR. PROTECT."

PARTIAL CUT-
AWAY PLAN
OF '573 RX'*

TEMPORARY CODE NAME ONLY. WILL RESPOND
* ONLY TO NAME GIVEN IT AT TIME OF
ACTIVATION BY PRIME OPERATOR. OPERATES
ONLY ON VOICE &/OR BRAINWAVE LINK.

DRAWINGS BY
Y. TAKIGUCHI



DON'T MOCK HIM, MR. WOO. EVEN ANTHONY STARK SAID, AND I QUOTE: "CERTAINLY UNCONVENTIONAL AND OFF-BEAT-- IN FACT, UNPRECEDENTED-- BUT NEVERTHELESS THE MOST BRILLIANTLY ORIGINAL FEAT OF CYBERNETIC ENGINEERING I'VE EVER SEEN."

YOU DON'T SAY? WELL, JAMES WOO SAYS, AND I QUOTE: "YOU ARE ABSOLUTELY--"



"--BEAUTIFUL."

Mmmmm...



NO! I--

TANYARA, I'M SORRY. I DIDN'T KNOW YOU--

--I-- I WONDER WHERE YOUNG ROB IS... I HAVEN'T SEEN HIM ALL MORNING... STARTING TO GET WORRIED..

VERY WELL, TANYARA, IF YOU REFUSE TO DISCUSS IT... THE MATTER IS DROPPED.

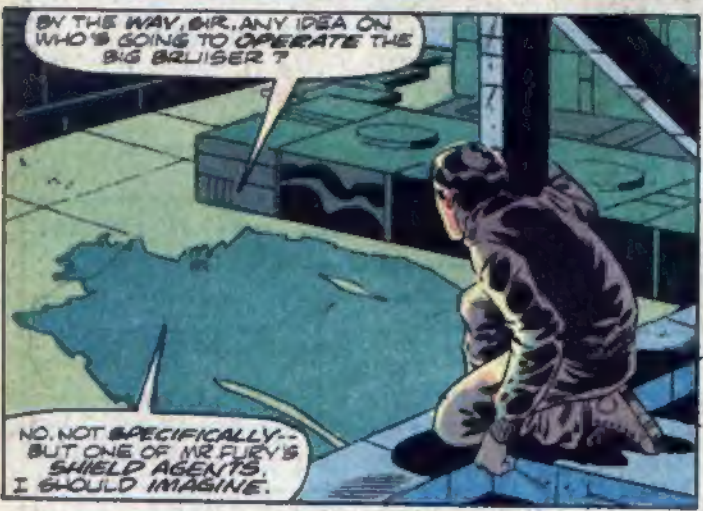


AND IN ONE OF THE PLANT'S MAIN CONSTRUCTION FACILITIES...

--THEORETICALLY CAPABLE OF FULL PERFORMANCE RIGHT NOW, DR. TAKIGUCHI!--

--WITH ALL FUNCTIONS PRECISELY CORRESPONDING TO THE DETAILS OF YOUR BLUEPRINT DESIGNS.

OF COURSE, BEFORE ISSUING AN ACTUAL TEST CLEARANCE, WE'LL HAVE TO RUN THE SYSTEMS THROUGH A SERIES OF THOROUGH CHECKS-- TO FIND AND ELIMINATE ANY POSSIBLE "GLIS".



BY THE WAY, SIR, ANY IDEA ON WHO'S GOING TO OPERATE THE BIG BRUISER?

NO, NOT SPECIFICALLY-- BUT ONE OF MR. FURY'S SHIELD AGENTS, I SHOULD IMAGINE.



DON'T BET ON IT, GRANDFATHER... DON'T BET ON IT.

YOUNG ROB HAS BEEN LURKING ON A CATHALK... ALL MORNING.

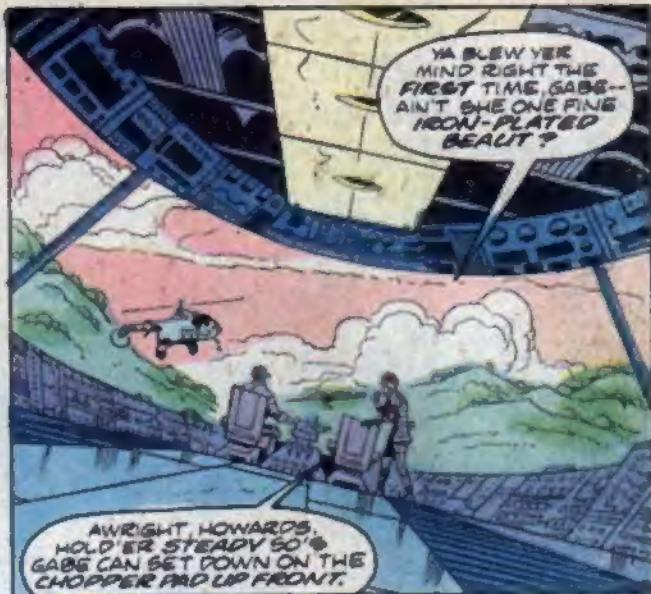


A CAVE SITE IN
THE NORTHERN
SIERRAS...

I TAKE IT
HE'S STILL
HOLED UP
GABE?

YEAH,
DUM DUM,
HE--

HO-LY...
MOLEVI!



YA BLEW YER
MIND RIGHT THE
FIRST TIME, GABE--
AIN'T SHE ONE FINE
IRON-PLATED
BEAUTY?

AWRIGHT, HOWARDS,
HOLD'ER STEADY SO'S
GABE CAN SET DOWN ON THE
CHOPPER PAD UP FRONT.

AND MOMENTS LATER...

I WANT THE REST
O' YOU BEHEMOTH
GOLDBRICKERS TO
KEEP YER EYES ON
THAT CAVE.

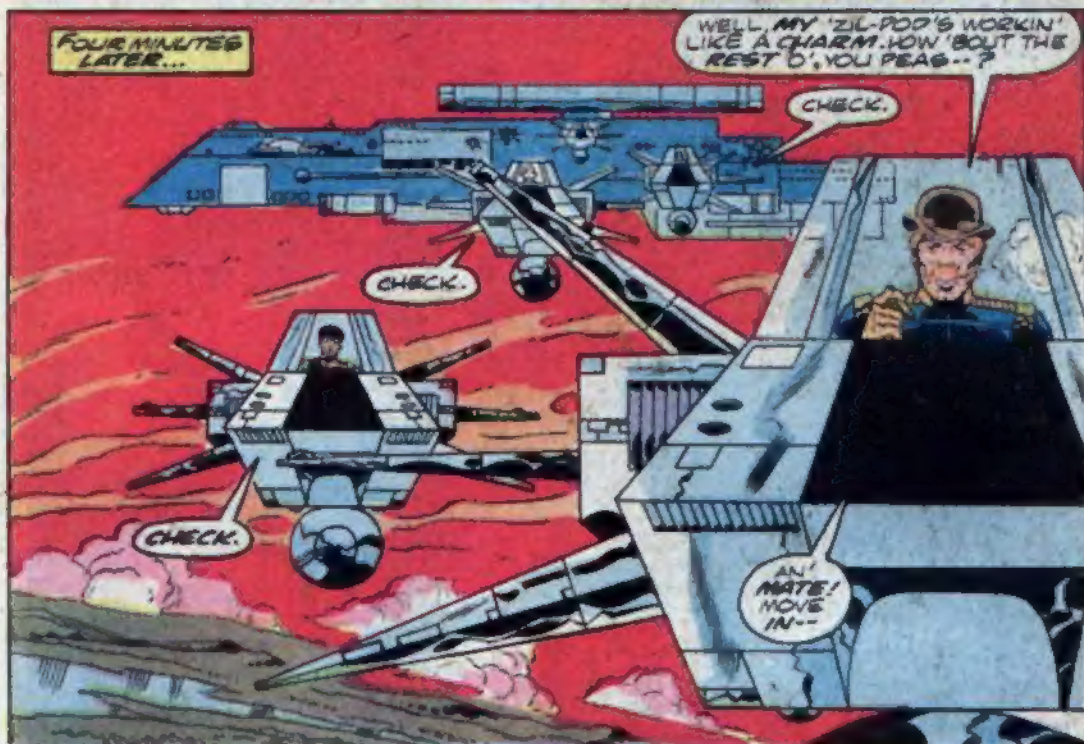
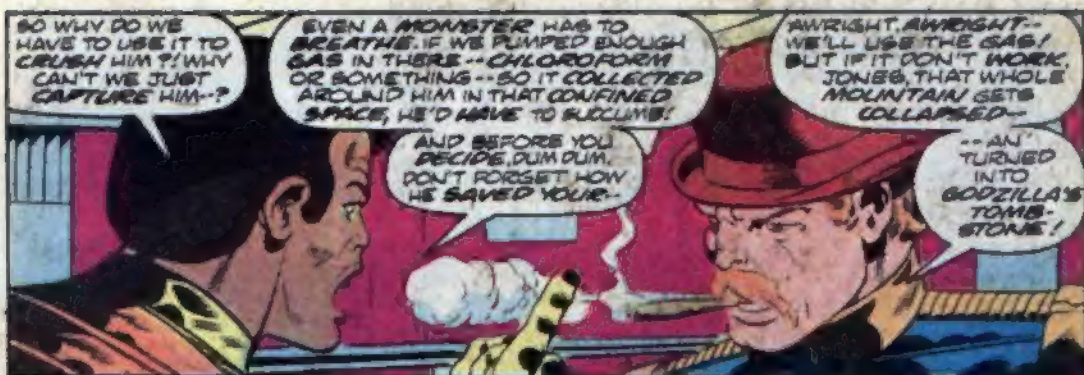
"-- HE AN' GABE GOTTA
TALK TURKEY."

--FISGERED YOU'D
BALK AT THE IDEA, JONES
YOU BELONG WITH THE
S.P.C.A. 'STEAD O'
SHIELD!

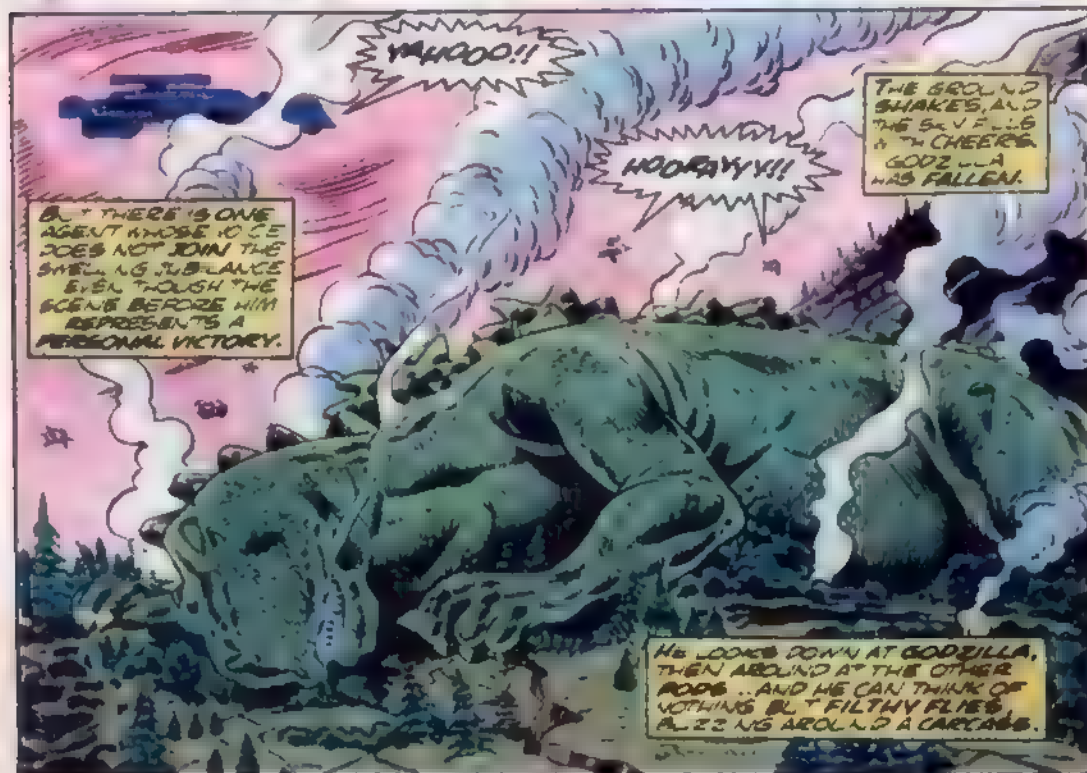
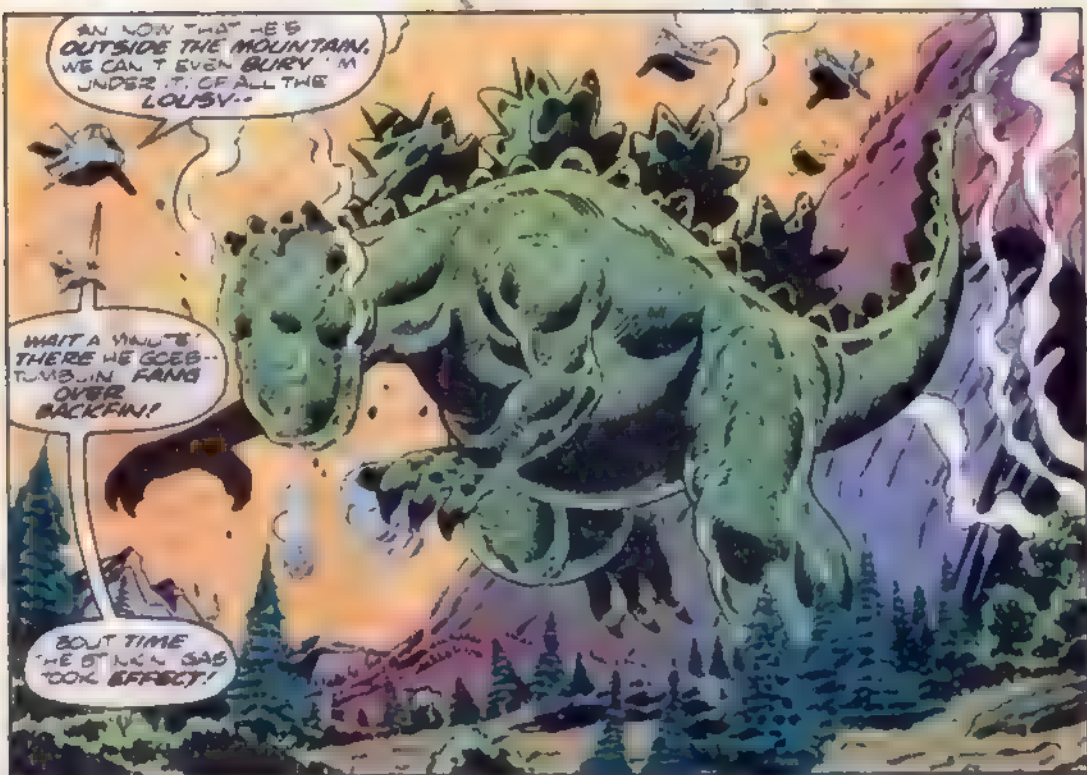
JUST
BECAUSE I
CAN'T SEE
KILLING A
HELPLESS
CREATURE--?

ANY GREEN
MONSTER WALTZES
OUT, I WANNA KNOW
ABOUT IT. IN THE
MEANWHILE--

IT'S A PERFECT CHANCE,
GABE, AN' YOU KNOW IT.
HE'S TRAPPED IN
THERE--FOR ONCE WE'VE
GOT THE UPPER HAND









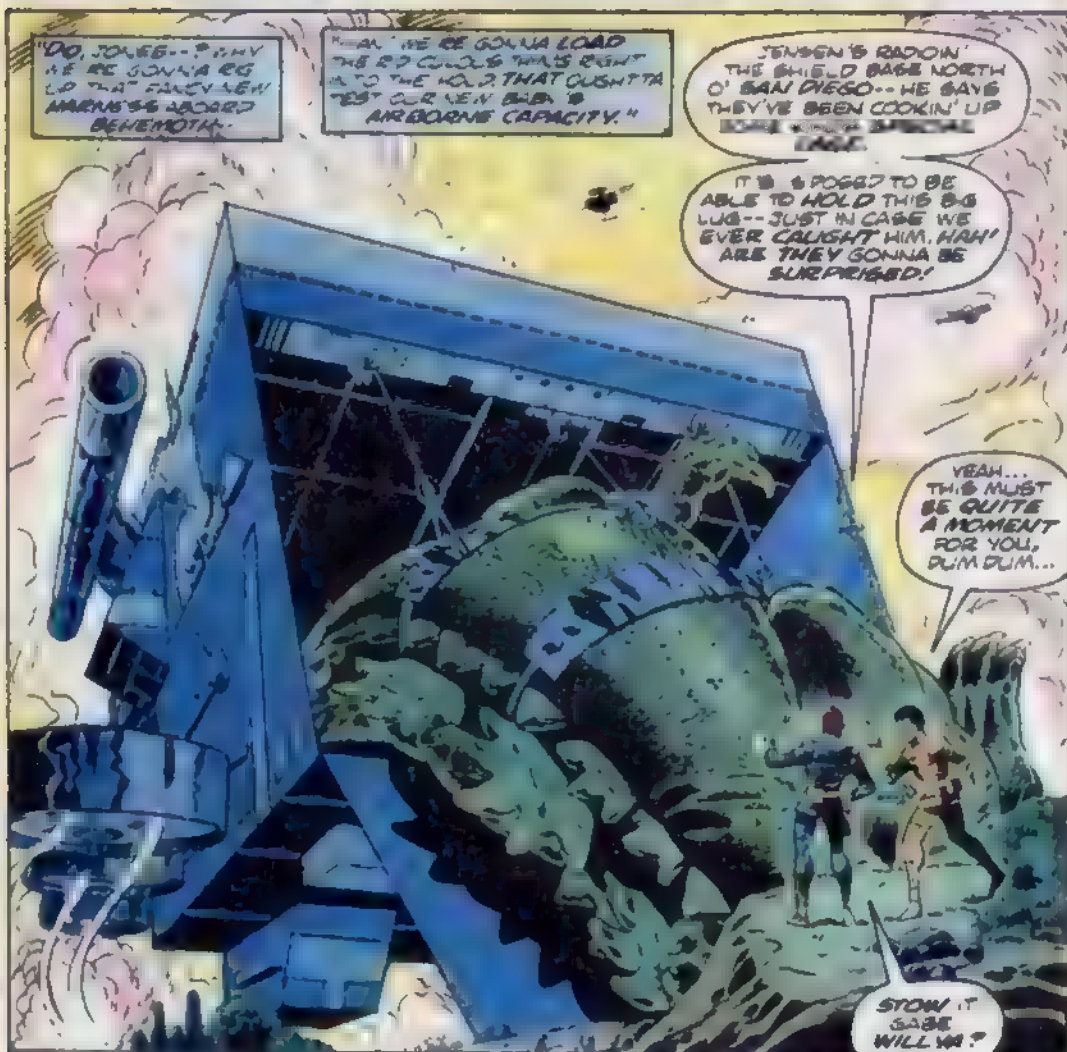
AND HIS VICTORY WILL BE SEEN BY MORE FELLOW
DURING THE ULTIMATE PHASE OF CONQUEST...

"LEAST THERE'S PLenty
O' FOOTHOLDS ON HIS
BLASTED HIDE."

YEAH
IF YOU
TAKE ENOUGH
STEPS

...WELL NOW THAT
YOU'VE GOT HIM
DUM DUM...

...WHAT ARE
YOU GOING TO DO
WITH HIM?



"DO, JENSEN... WHY
HE'RE GONNA EG
LO THAT FANCY NEW
MANN'S SACRED
BEHEMOTH."

"YEAH, WE'RE GONNA LOAD
THE BIG GUY'S WAS SENT
INTO THE HOLD THAT OUGHTTA
TEST OUR NEW BABY'S
AIRBORNE CAPACITY."

JENSEN'S RADION
THE SHIELD BASE NORTH
O' SAN DIEGO-- HE SAYS
THEY'VE BEEN COOKIN' UP
SOME KINDA SPECIAL
TREAT.

IT'S POSSIBLE TO BE
ABLE TO HOLD THIS BIG
LUG-- JUST IN CASE WE
EVER CAUGHT HIM. HAH!
ARE THEY GONNA BE
SURPRISED!

YEAH...
THIS MUST
BE QUITE
A MOMENT
FOR YOU,
DUM DUM...

STOW IT
GABE
WILL WE?

SEVERAL HOURS LATER THE VIRGIN HELI-CARRIER DOCKS WITH ITS NEWLY CONSTRUCTED COMPONENT CONSTRAINT STATION

THE BENEVOLENT EJECTION PLATE WILL SEND THE CAPTIVE GODZILLA ALL THE WAY TO THE END OF THE INSTALLATION'S RECEIVING TUBE...



...AND FROM THERE, THE CAPTIVE LEVIATHAN IS WHISKED INTO THE MOUTH CASE RECEPTACLE



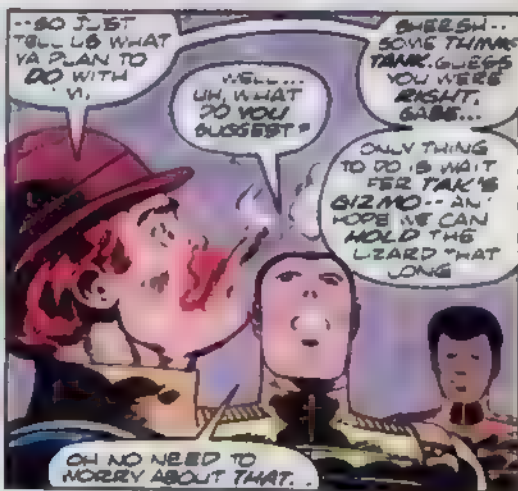
--SO JUST TELL US WHAT YA PLAN TO DO WITH 'N.

WELL... UM, WHAT DO YOU SUGGEST?

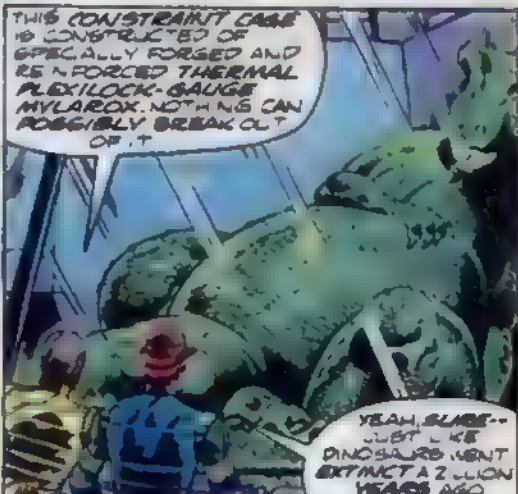
SURESH... SOME THINGS THINK. GUESS YOU WERE RIGHT, GABE...

ONLY THING TO DO IS WAIT FOR TAK'S BIZ NO-- AN' HOPE WE CAN HOLD THE LEARD THAT LONG

OH NO NEED TO WORRY ABOUT THAT...



THIS CONSTRAINT CASE IS CONSTRUCTED OF SPECIALLY FORGED AND REINFORCED THERMAL FLEXILOCK-GAUGE MYLAROX. NOTHING CAN POSSIBLY BREAK OUT OF IT

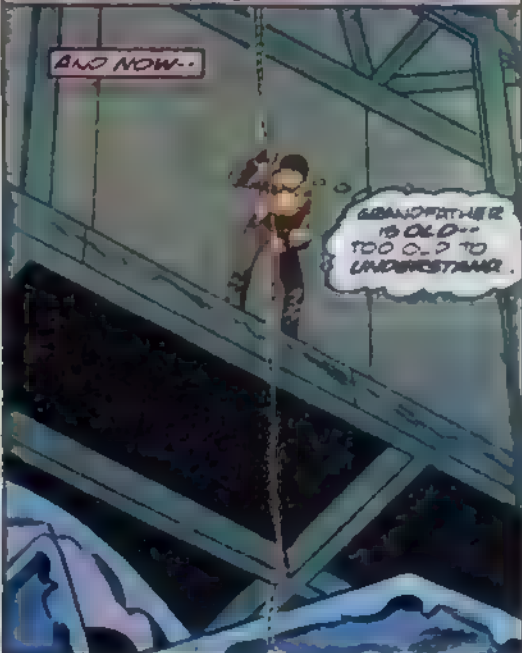


YEAH, BLAME-- JUST LIKE DINOSAURS WENT EXTINCT A 2 MILLION YEARS AGO.

STARK INTERNATIONAL: NIGHT. EVERYONE
HAS LONG SINCE GONE HOME, EXCEPT
THE SECURITY GUARDS.



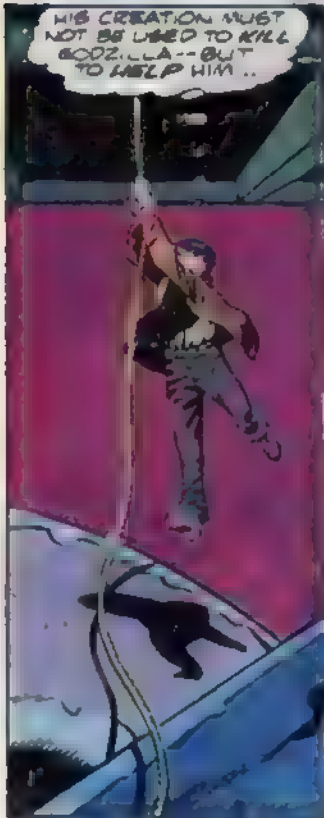
THESE MINUTES AGO TWELVE-YEAR-OLD
ROB TAKIGUCHI SWUCK PAST THEM



AND NOW--

GRANDFATHER
IS OLD--
TOO OLD TO
UNDERSTAND.

HIS CREATION MUST
NOT BE USED TO KILL
GODZILLA-- BUT
TO HELP HIM...



THE CONTROL-
COCKPIT WILL BE IN
HERE THROUGH
THE EYE-- IN
HIS HEAD.



YES-- I'VE
STUDIED GRAND-
FATHER'S PLANS
OFTEN ENOUGH TO
KNOW WHERE
EVERYTHING IS
LOCATED.





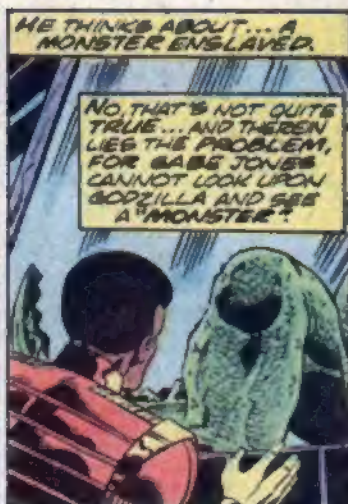
NIGHT, TOO, HALF A CONTINENT AWAY, FOR ONE OTHER...

BUT A NIGHT WITHOUT SLEEP



SOMETIMES, GABE JONES IS CONVINCED HE THINKS TOO MUCH, AND THEREFORE SLEEPS TOO LITTLE.

TOUGH HE THINKS ABOUT HANGARS AND OIL'S, CARGO HOLDS AND CAGES, BEHEMOTHS AND LEVIATHANS...



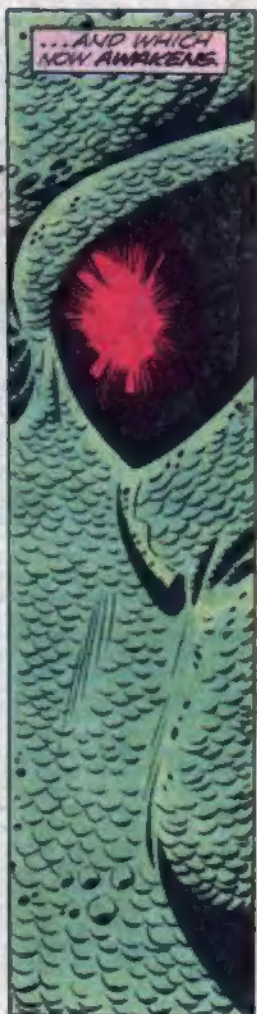
HE THINKS ABOUT... A MONSTER ENSLAVED.

NO, THAT'S NOT QUITE TRUE... AND THEREIN LIES THE PROBLEM, FOR GABE JONES CANNOT LOOK UPON GODZILLA AND SEE A "MONSTER".



HIS EYES ARE NOT THAT COLD...

RATHER, HE CAN ONLY SEE A GIGANTIC SPECIMEN OF MAGNIFICENT LIFE... BUT LIFE WHICH HAS BEEN PATHETICALLY HUMBLLED... SHACKLED...



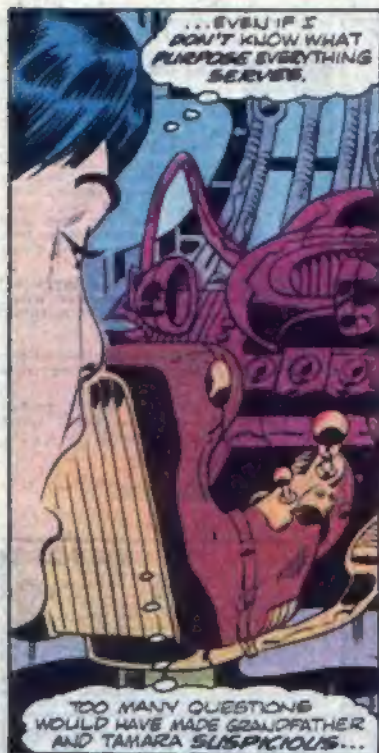
...AND WHICH NOW AWAKENS.



ABRUPTLY.

OH... NO...

NOOO!!
DUM DUM...
WHERE ARE YOU?!



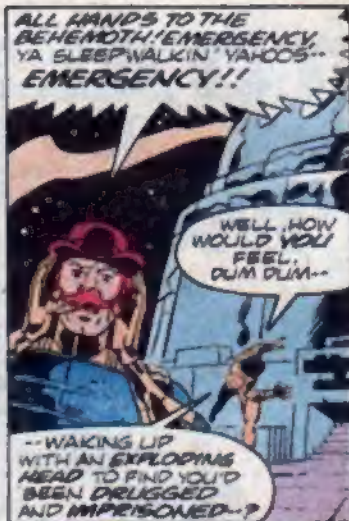


AND THE CREATURE
INSIDE IS EASILY
CAPABLE OF THRASHING
STEEL.



**NEXT
ISSUE**

ENSLAVED NO MORE! AND, IN ACTION
FOR THE FIRST TIME: THE MOST
STUPENDOUSLY AWESOME NEW
CHARACTER IN MARVEL HISTORY--



**FUTURE
FIGHTER!**